Introduced by Senator Murray

February 23, 2006

An act to amend Sections 660 and 9250 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1553, as introduced, Murray. Registration fee.

Existing law imposes a \$31 registration fee for the registration of a vehicle, as defined, or trailer coach of a type subject to registration under the Vehicle Code.

This bill would revise the registration fee for a vehicle or a trailer coach in accordance with a schedule that is based on a vehicle's unladen weight.

This bill would make a conforming change.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 660 of the Vehicle Code is amended to 2 read:
- 3 660. The "unladen weight" of a vehicle is the weight
- 4 equipped and ready for operation on the road including the body,
- 5 fenders, oil in motor, radiator full of water, with five gallons of
- 6 gasoline or equivalent weight of other motor fuel; also equipment
- 7 required by law, and unless exempted under Section 66l, any
- 8 special cabinets, boxes or body parts permanently attached to the
- 9 vehicle, and any machinery, equipment or attachment which is
- 10 attendant to the efficient operation of the body or vehicle.
- 11 Unladen weight—shall does not include—any a load or—any

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machinery or mechanical apparatus, such as including, but not limited to, wood saws, well-drilling machines, spray apparatus, tow truck cranes, and grinding equipment. The unladen weight of a vehicle-shall have has no application in determining-any a fee under this code, other than Sections 9250 and 9400, or the Revenue and Taxation Code-other than Section 9400.

SEC. 2. Section 9250 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

9250. (a) A registration fee-of thirty-one dollars (\$31) shall be paid to the department for the registration of-every *a* vehicle or trailer coach of a type *that is* subject to registration under this code, except those vehicles *a vehicle* that are *is* expressly exempted under this code from the payment of registration fees, *in accordance with the following schedule:*

Unladen Vehicle Weight:	Registration Fee:
0000 lbs. and including 3000 lbs. 3001 lbs. to and including 4000 lbs.	\$31
4001 lbs. to and including 5000 lbs.	
5001 lbs. to and including 6000 lbs.	
6001 lbs. to and including 7000 lbs.	
7001 lbs. to and including 8000 lbs.	
8001 lbs. to and including 9000 lbs.	
9001 lbs. to and including 10000 lbs.	
10,001 lbs. and more	

(b) The registration fee imposed under this section subdivision (a) applies to all vehicles a vehicle described in Section 5004, whether or not special identification plates are issued to that vehicle.

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(c) Trailer coaches are A trailer coach is subject to the fee provided in subdivision (a) for each unit of the trailer coach.

(d) This section applies to all of the following:

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- (1) The initial or original registration, on or after January 1, $\frac{2004}{2007}$, of any a vehicle not previously registered in this state.
- (2) The renewal of registration of any a vehicle for which the registration period expires on or after January 1, 2004 2007, regardless of whether a renewal application was mailed to the registered owner prior to January 1, 2004 2007.
- 11 (3) Any *The* renewal of a registration that expired on or before 12 December 31,–2003 2006, but for which the fees are not paid 13 until on or after January 1,–2004 2007.